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SUBJECT: U.S. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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1. FOLLOWING IS APPROVED VERSION OF AMBASSADOR'S GOALS  
AND OBJECTIVES FOR TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

I. ENCOURAGEMENT OF CARIBBEAN REGIONAL COOPERATION

-- CONSULT CLOSELY WITH THE GOTT ON CARIBBEAN PROBLEMS  
AND ISSUES AND ENCOURAGE INCREASED TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

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REGIONAL COOPERATION, PARTICIPATION, AND CONTRIBUTIONS  
TO AFFAIRS IN THE CARIBBEAN.

-- BE ALERT TO OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENCOURAGING A CONSTRUCTIVE  
WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AND  
VENEZUELA ON MATTERS PERTAINING TO CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENTS  
AND ASSISTANCE TO THE AREA.

-- SUPPORT TRINIDADIAN LINKAGES AND COOPERATION WITH HAITI AND THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

## II. EXPANSION OF TRADE WITH AND INVESTMENT BY AMERICAN FIRMS

-- ENCOURAGE CHOICE OF AMERICAN COMPANIES FOR LARGE INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENTS AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS BEING UNDERTAKEN BY THE GOTT.

-- SUPPORT EFFORT OF U.S. BUSINESS TO ENTER THE TRINIDADIAN MARKET.

-- WORK WITH TRINIDAD'S INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO DEVELOP CRITERIA FOR INVESTMENT BY U.S. FIRMS IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

-- ASSIST IN IDENTIFYING SUITABLE TECHNOLOGY AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS.

## III. ENCOURAGEMENT OF COOPERATION ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES

-- CONSULT WITH THE GOTT IN ITS ROLE AS A MEMBER OF THE UN COMMITTEE OF 24 ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL CONCERN SUCH AS PUERTO RICO AND SOUTHERN AFRICA.

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-- ENCOURAGE TRINIDAD TO ADOPT A PRAGMATIC POSITION IN THE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE.

-- ENCOURAGE TRINIDAD TO PLAY A HELPFUL ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTIVE OF U.S. POSITIONS ON MULTILATERAL, POLITICAL AND SECURITY ISSUES.

-- ENLIST THE SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO FOR INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INITIATIVES WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS IN THE CARIBBEAN AREA AND INCLUDING ADHERENCE TO THE AMERICAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

-- ENCOURAGE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN PREPARING FOR THE 1979 UNCTAD AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF REALISTIC PROPOSALS FOR USING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN MEETING DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES.

## IV. CONTACT WITH POLITICAL LEADERS AND PARTIES

-- MAINTAIN PERSONAL CONTACTS WITH POTENTIAL SUCCESSORS OF PRIME MINISTER WILLIAMS WITHIN HIS OWN PARTY AND THE

OPPOSITION.

-- ENSURE THAT POTENTIAL SUCCESSORS ARE AWARE OF KEY U.S. POLICY INITIATIVES AND DECISIONS WHICH MAY AFFECT TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

V. ENHANCE BILATERAL COMMUNICATION AND LINKAGES

-- STRENGTHEN TWO-WAY COMMUNICATION AND INSTITUTIONAL TIES THROUGH INFORMATION, EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS IN SUPPORT OF U.S. BILATERAL AND GLOBAL OBJECTIVES AND OF BROADER MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

VI. COOPERATION ON NARCOTICS INTERDICTIONS AND  
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ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION

-- ELICIT SUPPORT OF TRINIDADIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL NARCOTICS EFFORTS.

-- IMPRESS ON TRINIDAD OFFICIALS THAT ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION IS A MATTER OF MAJOR US CONCERN AND WORK WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD TO DIMINISH THE FLOW OF ILLEGAL MIGRANTS TO THE US.

VII. PROMOTION OF U.S. SECURITY INTERESTS

-- PROMOTE U.S. SECURITY INTERESTS AND MAINTAIN MILITARY RELATIONSHIPS SUPPORTIVE OF THE BROAD RANGE OF U.S. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, INCLUDING HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONVENTIONAL ARMS RESTRAINT POLICIES.

-- OBTAIN GOTT SUPPORT FOR PORT VISITS OF U.S. WARSHIPS ON A ROUTINE BASIS AND ASSISTANCE TO THE AREA.

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